

The Willow Park

MEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

P.O. Box 2600, CASTRO VALLEY, CA. 94546

Issue: Dec. 2007

Next Club Meeting:

December 20, 2007
6:30pm, WP Bar Annex

Tournament Deadlines:

Wednesday, Dec. 5

Club Officers:

George Vance
President 925-847-2921

Mike Jones
Vice President
925-837-2151

Huge Williams
Secretary 510-537-6844

Robin Paniagua
Treasurer

Directors:

Dave Albiar
Steve Davis
Daniel Gil
Al Hamilton
Joe Johnson
Tom Joseph

Committees:

Tournament Chairman
Tony Paniagua
510-785-5866
Handicap Chairman
Mark Hemenez
510-537-1065
Membership
Larry Cobleigh
510-783-8827
Sergeant at Arms
Ken Cadinha
Morale Officer
Herm Kerber
Webmaster
Daniel Turner
510-744-5866
Newsletter Editor
Steve Falzone
510-537-4050
Postal Coordinator
Peter Krass

2007 Tournament Schedule

Dec 16 Regular + 1st rnd 08 Norcal Qualifier

2008 Tournament Schedule

Feb 3 + 2nd round 2008 Norcal Qualifier
Feb 24 Regular
Mar 16 + 1st round Two Man Norcal Qualifier
Apr 20 + 2nd round Two Man Norcal Qualifier
May 18 + Colored Ball Team Competition
June 22 TC Surprise (4 Club)
July 20 Major - Presidents
July 27 Away tournament
Aug 17 Major - Directors
Sept 13/14 Major - Club Championship
Oct 19 + Willow Cup Skins Competition
Nov 16 TC Surprise (RWB) + Turkey Shoot
Dec 14 + 1st round 2009 Norcal Qualifier
+ = Regular tournament PLUS special event

Presidential Focus

Ho, Ho, HO! Holiday Cheer to all!!!!
2007 is about to close, with 2008 in view,
just beyond the morning frost. Fall is soon
to become Winter. So, let's play golf!!!

Our last tournament of 2007 will also be
the first round for our 2008 NORCAL
Qualifier. Again, a \$20.00 fee will be
charged for all who wish to participate. The
collected proceeds will then be dispersed
amongst the members who qualify for this
event (2 low gross & 2 low net players) .
More information and details will be
available in your T/C's column.

Remember to get your 2008 renewals in
without delay. Don't be charged for any
unnecessary late fees. Late charges will
be incurred after **December 24**.

On behalf of your Officers and Directors, I
wish to the Management and Staff of
Willow Park Golf Course, the Management
and Staff of The Paradiso Restaurant, and
to ALL our Members and their families, a
safe, thankful, and memorable Christmas
Season and a successful 2008.

That's all for now.

George Vance, President

Membership Renewal Deadline

December 24 is the last day to get your
2008 membership renewal in before a \$10
late fee is assessed. Don't be charged any
unnecessary late fees. Send your
membership renewals in today!

2008 Membership Drive

As you know, we have begun our
membership drive for 2008. Our goal is to
increase our membership 20-30%. To
achieve this we need your help and we're
offering a reward. From November 2007
through February 2008 for every new
member you bring in, your name will go
into a drawing. Bring one new member in,
you get 1 entry. Bring 5 new members; you
will be entered 5 times. Our membership
form now has a "Referred by" field. Just
make sure the person writes your name
before they send in the membership. The
drawing will be at the March tournament
with the prize being a gift certificate (not a
WP gift certificate). So send in your
membership and get out there and
convince your wife, girlfriend, neighbors
and friends to sign up.

Disclaimer: You will also have to be a member to be
eligible to win.

2008 Newsletter Changes

Beginning in 2008 the WPMC Newsletter
will be delivered exclusively by electronic
format.

For members that may not have internet
access at home; most libraries, community
centers and friends are easy avenues to
getting on-line. We will continue to post a
copy of the current Newsletter in WP's spike
room.

Please let our membership chairperson
know if you have an updated email address.
This will insure that you are notified of
important information about the club.

Tales from the "Deep" Rough

The Annual Turkey Shoot is in the books. Congratulations to all the winners. For those that did not play everyone was a winner. Everyone got a certificate for a minimum of \$25 to a local market. As there were more certificates than players I stuffed some of them with double certificates. Rather than pass them out I let everyone choose their own. A special congratulation to the lucky players who selected one of the big prizes.

As many of you know the course greens are slow in coming back from the aeration. Don't know what the original plan was but it didn't work as they are still not recovered. It appears that they have spread a blanket of sand on them to help with the recovery. Here's hoping this works and we can get the greens back to normal soon.

I will probably allow some form of lift and clean for the upcoming tournament. We haven't had rain for awhile so the course is not as wet as expected for this time of year. I will specify what will be allowed in more detail once we get a little closer to the actual date of the tournament. Just wanted you to be prepared to play either way. Who knows, we may suddenly get drench with rain in the next several weeks. We can sure use it.

Also, speaking of the next tournament, make sure to take a look at the Special Event information to the right. The December tournament will include the first round of the 2008 NCGA qualifier. It will explain the procedures for those wish to compete. The second round will be the first tournament played in 2008. The qualifiers will be the two low gross and two low net combined scores. You must play in both to qualify. These members will represent our club in the NCGA East Bay Zone qualifier later in the year. Of course, be a member in good standing in 2008 to play the second round. Good Luck!

Don't forget to send in your 2008 membership renewals. The deadline is fast approaching. Also please remember to pass the word to friends, neighbors and relatives. The more members we have the more prize fund we will have.

Updated the posting, available in the spike room and on the website, which shows which holes are the hardest and which are the easiest. Not surprised that holes 1 and 10 still remain the hardest. Hole 13 remains the easiest and am surprised that hole 5 is second easiest.

And finally, to close out the 2007 golf year I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your understanding and support in 2007. Hope you all have a safe and joyous holiday season. See you all in 2008.

Upcoming Tournaments

Date: Sunday December 16, 2007

Deadline: Wednesday December 5, 2007

Club Tournament Entry Fee: \$50

Format: Individual stroke play with flights

Special Optional Event: First of two rounds of the 2008 NCGA qualifier. The 2 low Gross and 2 low Net combined scores for the two tournaments will represent our club. For those wishing to try and qualify a separate one time fee of \$20 will be collected on the day of the tournament. A club representative will be on the first tee with the signup sheet. This fee covers your entry to qualify only. This is a separate fee and should not be confused with the regular "Club Tournament Entry Fee". The proceeds collected will be distributed equally to the four golfers who qualify. The second round will be held during the first tournament played in 2008.

First 2008 Tournament

Date: Sunday February 3, 2008. Super Bowl

Deadline: Wednesday January 23, 2008.

Club Tournament Entry Fee : \$50

Format: Individual Stroke Play with flights.

Special Optional Event: 2nd round of the 2008 NCGA qualifier. You must be a 2008 member, officially entered before starting the first round and completed the first round.

Tony Paniagua – Tournament Chair

2008/09 Board

President: George Vance

Vice President: Mike Jones

Secretary: Huge Williams

Treasurer: Robin Paniagua

Directors:

- Dave Albiar
- Steve Davis
- Daniel Gil
- Al Hamilton
- Joe Johnson
- Tom Joseph

Chairpersons:

- Tournament: Tony Paniagua
- Handicap: Mark Hemenez
- Membership: Larry Cobleigh
- Webmaster: Daniel Turner
- Newsletter Editor: Steve Falzone
- Postal Coordinator: Peter Krass
- Sergeant at Arms: Ken Cadinha
- Morale Officer: Herm Kerber

"At Large" Columnist

Each month this column is from a different Officer, Director or Chairman.

Our columnists are on holiday but will return next month!

NCGA Membership Card

New for 2008: NCGA members will receive an NCGA member card - a traditional membership card with extra buying power.

The new card can be activated and used as a reloadable prepaid card. Members are not required to activate and load their membership card in order to receive NCGA membership benefits. If activated, it can be used in much the same way as a debit or credit card.

The new membership card is NOT a credit card but a reloadable prepaid card

Additional information can be found online at:

<http://www.ncga.org/2007/10/08/ncga-member-advantage-program/>

Please support our business sponsors!

Keystone Pest Control

Experience Quality

- Hayward 510 782 8285
- Fremont 510 796 9494
- Pleasanton 925 734 5388
- Fax 510 782 5388

28306 Industrial Blvd., Suite F
Hayward Ca. 94545
Tom Joseph, Member WPMC

Bryan's Hair Company **& beauty supply**

19129 Redwood Road
Castro Valley, CA. 94546
510-581-2927